## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE NATIONAL FORESTS IN NORTH CAROLINA

## Nantahala National Forest Tusquitee Ranger District

## Order Number 08-13-2012

## **Emergency Closure of:**

- Ramsey Bluff Road # 652F
- Ramsey Bend Connector Trail # 619
   From State Hwy. 1447 east and south of this road
- Ramsey Bend North Trail # 620
- Farmer Top Overlook Trail # 622
- Nottley River Connector Trail # 623
- Ramsey Bend South Trail # 621

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C Section 551 and Title 36 C.F.R Sections 261.50 (a) and (b), for the protection of public health and safety, the following act is prohibited due to salvage logging operations associated with recent tornado damage. This order is in effect from August 13, 2012 until November 15, 2012.

For public health and safety, it is prohibited to bike, hike, or walk on the above listed road and trails and motorized vehicles are prohibited on the above listed road 36 CFR 261.53 (e).

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempted from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit from the authorized Forest Service Officer specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Executed in Asheville, North Carolina this 13th day of August 2012.

Forest Supervisor

National Forests in North Carolina

Violations of these prohibitions set forth is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C 551, 18 U.S.C. and 3571.